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# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE/RELATED CASE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

### REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

#### RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s), together with a copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along
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- ☐ Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
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Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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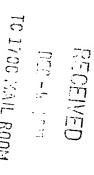
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# **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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## **DEAR SIR:**

The PTO form 1449 submitted herewith identifies U.S. patent No. 6,086,973 to Hazes. That patent is not a 35 USC 102(e) reference because its U.S. filing date is subsequent to applicants' effective filing date. However, it is a "reference" under In re Oguie, 517 F.2d 1182, 186 USPQ 227 (CCPA 1975), as to any claim in this application that interferes with any claim in that patent.



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